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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

## **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

## **Opposer Information**

Name	Skinny Girl Cocktails LLC
Granted to Date of previous extension	02/09/2011
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## **Applicant Information**

Application No	85089709	Publication date	10/12/2010
Opposition Filing Date	02/08/2011	Opposition Period Ends	02/09/2011
Applicant	Drown Corp. 14 Stratford Court East Amherst, NY 14051 UNITED STATES		

## Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 033.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Alcoholic cocktail mixes; Distilled Spirits; Potable spirits; Prepared alcoholic cocktail

## **Grounds for Opposition**

Deceptiveness	Trademark Act section 2(a)
False suggestion of a connection	Trademark Act section 2(a)
Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)

## Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	3812197	Application Date	11/25/2008
Registration Date	06/29/2010	Foreign Priority Date	NONE

Word Mark	SKINNYGIRL	_	
Design Mark	SKI	NNYC	3IRL
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use prepared alcoholic c	e: First Use: 2009/09/23 First U cocktails	lse In Commerce: 2009/09/23
U.S. Application No.	77621838	Application Date	11/25/2008
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	SKINNYGIRL	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Design Mark	SKI	NNYC	ՅIRL
Description of	NONE		

Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 021. First use:
	cocktail shakers; cocktail stirrers; cocktail strainers; beverage glassware and shot glasses; pitchers
	Class 032. First use:
	prepared non-alcoholic cocktails; non-alcoholic cocktail mixes
	Class 033. First use:
	alcoholic cocktail mixes

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The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address

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Signature	/smr/
Name	Sarah M. Robertson, Esq.
Date	02/08/2011

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of Application Serial No. 85/089,709 Published on October 12, 2010

SKINNY GIRL COCKTAILS LLC,

Opposer,

Opposition No.

v.

DROWN CORP.,

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Applicant.

Skinny Girl Cocktails LLC, ("Opposer"), a Delaware limited liability company, with its principal place of business at 225 Varick Street, Suite 303, New York, New York, 10014, believes it will be damaged by registration of the mark SKINNY GUY for "Alcoholic cocktail mixes; Distilled Spirits; Potable spirits; Prepared alcoholic cocktail," in International Class 33 sought to be registered in U.S. Application Serial No. 85/089,709 by Drown Corp. ("Applicant"), and having been granted an extension of time to oppose until February 9, 2011 by Order of the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board mailed on October 14, 2010, hereby opposes same.

As grounds for opposition, it is alleged that:

1. By the application herein opposed, Applicant seeks to register the mark SKINNY GUY for "Alcoholic cocktail mixes; Distilled Spirits; Potable spirits; Prepared alcoholic cocktail," in International Class 33, Application Serial No. 85/089,709 (the "Application"). The Application was filed on July 21, 2010, based on an intent-to-use the mark.

- 2. Since at least as early as September 23, 2009, Opposer and/or Opposer's predecessors-in-interest have used the SKINNYGIRL mark for, *inter alia*, alcoholic cocktails. Opposer extensively markets these cocktails through television and in-person appearances by its representatives, and through websites and other marketing channels.
- 3. Well prior to the filing date of the Application, Opposer and/or Opposer's predecessors-in-interest have sought and obtained registration rights for the trademark SKINNYGIRL for various goods including prepared alcoholic cocktails. Opposer and/or Opposer's predecessors-in-interest have manufactured, marketed, distributed and sold prepared alcoholic cocktails under the trademark SKINNYGIRL, including prepared alcoholic cocktails, prior to any first use by Applicant of the mark SKINNY GUY under opposition, and such manufacture, marketing, distribution and sale of prepared alcoholic cocktails under the trademark SKINNYGIRL also predate the filing date of the Application.

- SKINNYGIRL trademark and owns, *inter alia*, U.S. Registration No. 3,812,197 for the trademark SKINNYGIRL, which issued on June 29, 2010 for "*prepared alcoholic cocktails*," in International Class 33 ("Opposer's Registration"). Opposer's Registration is in all respects valid, subsisting and owned by Opposer. Opposer also owns, *inter alia*, U.S. Application No. 77/621,838 for the trademark SKINNYGIRL for "*alcoholic cocktail mixes*," in International Class 33, "*prepared non-alcoholic cocktails; non-alcoholic cocktail mixes*," in International Class 32, and "*cocktail shakers; cocktail stirrers; cocktail strainers; beverage glassware and shot glasses; pitchers*," in International Class 21 ("Opposer's Application"). Print-outs of Opposer's Registration and Opposer's Application from the electronic database of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office showing the current status and title of this registration and application are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 5. As a consequence of the foregoing, the consuming public and trade have come to recognize and do recognize Opposer's SKINNYGIRL trademark as applied to alcohol and/or cocktail-related products as being used by Opposer, and to identify and associate said marks with Opposer, and Opposer derives substantial goodwill and value from the aforesaid recognition, association and identification by the consuming public and trade.
- 6. The SKINNY GUY mark sought to be registered by Applicant is confusingly similar in sound, appearance and commercial impression to Opposer's SKINNYGIRL mark, and nearly identical in meaning. Further, the alcoholic products covered by the Application under opposition are the same as, or closely related to the goods offered, or intended to be offered, for sale by Opposer under its SKINNYGIRL mark and/or covered by Opposer's Registration and Opposer's Application.

7. As a result of the foregoing, the purchasing public familiar with Opposer's products and SKINNYGIRL mark, is likely to be confused, misled or deceived into thinking that the products of Applicant are offered by Opposer or are in some way sponsored by or connected with Opposer, and/or that the products of Opposer are offered by Applicant, or are in some way sponsored by or connected with Applicant, to Opposer's irreparable damage and injury in violation of Section 2(d) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d), and will give color of statutory rights to Applicant in violation and derogation of the prior and superior statutory rights of Opposer in its SKINNYGIRL mark.

WHEREFORE Opposer believes that it will be damaged by registration of Applicant's mark and prays that this opposition be sustained, and that Application Serial No. 85/089,709 be denied.

Please recognize as attorneys for Opposer in this proceeding Sarah Robertson and Sandra Edelman, members of the Bar of the State of New York, whose address is Dorsey & Whitney LLP, 250 Park Avenue, New York, New York, 10177, telephone number (212) 415-9200.

Please address all correspondence to Sarah Robertson at the below address.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and complete copy of the foregoing <u>NOTICE OF</u> <u>OPPOSITION</u> has been served on John M. Rannells as counsel for Drown Corp. by mailing said copy on <u>February 8, 2011</u>, via First-Class Mail, postage prepaid, to:

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# SKINNYGIRL

(words only): SKINNYGIRL

Standard Character claim: Yes

Current Status: Registered. The registration date is used to determine when post-registration

maintenance documents are due.

**Date of Status: 2010-06-29** 

Filing Date: 2008-11-25

Transformed into a National Application: No

Registration Date: 2010-06-29

Register: Principal

Law Office Assigned: LAW OFFICE 113

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#### LAST APPLICANT(S)/OWNER(S) OF RECORD

1. SKINNY GIRL COCKTAILS LLC

Address:

SKINNY GIRL COCKTAILS LLC

**EXHIBIT A** 

417 FIFTH AVENUE PENTHOUSE

NEW YORK, NY 10016

**United States** 

Legal Entity Type: Limited Liability Company State or Country Where Organized: Delaware

#### GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

**International Class:** 033 **Class Status:** Active

prepared alcoholic cocktails

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2009-09-23

First Use in Commerce Date: 2009-09-23

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

#### MADRID PROTOCOL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

#### PROSECUTION HISTORY

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2010-06-29 - Registered - Principal Register

2010-05-22 - Notice Of Acceptance Of Statement Of Use E-Mailed

2010-05-21 - Law Office Registration Review Completed

2010-05-21 - Allowed for Registration - Principal Register (SOU accepted)

2010-05-12 - Notice Of Pseudo Mark Mailed

2010-05-11 - Statement Of Use Processing Complete

2010-04-30 - Use Amendment Filed

2010-05-11 - Divisional processing completed

2010-04-30 - Divisional request received

2010-04-30 - TEAS Request To Divide Received

- 2010-04-30 TEAS Statement of Use Received
- 2010-04-27 Divisional processing completed
- 2010-03-30 Divisional request received
- 2010-04-22 Case Assigned To Intent To Use Paralegal
- 2010-03-30 TEAS Request To Divide Received
- 2009-12-29 NOA Mailed SOU Required From Applicant
- 2009-10-06 Notice Of Publication E-Mailed
- 2009-10-06 Published for opposition
- 2009-09-03 Law Office Publication Review Completed
- 2009-09-03 Assigned To LIE
- 2009-08-31 Approved For Pub Principal Register
- 2009-08-14 Teas/Email Correspondence Entered
- 2009-08-14 Communication received from applicant
- 2009-08-14 TEAS Response to Office Action Received
- 2009-03-03 Notification Of Non-Final Action E-Mailed
- 2009-03-03 Non-final action e-mailed
- 2009-03-03 Non-Final Action Written
- 2009-02-25 Assigned To Examiner
- 2009-02-12 Automatic Update Of Assignment Of Ownership
- 2008-12-02 Notice Of Pseudo Mark Mailed
- 2008-12-01 New Application Entered In Tram

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# SKINNYGIRL

(words only): SKINNYGIRL

Standard Character claim: Yes

Current Status: A second request for extension of time to file a Statement of Use has been granted.

**Date of Status: 2010-12-17** 

Filing Date: 2008-11-25

The Notice of Allowance Date is: 2009-12-29

Transformed into a National Application: No

**Registration Date:** (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

Register: Principal

Law Office Assigned: LAW OFFICE 113

**Attorney Assigned:** REGAN JOHN B

Current Location: 710 -Divisional Unit

Date In Location: 2010-05-11

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Address:

SKINNY GIRL COCKTAILS LLC 417 FIFTH AVENUE PENTHOUSE NEW YORK, NY 10016

**United States** 

Legal Entity Type: Limited Liability Company State or Country Where Organized: Delaware

#### GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 021 Class Status: Active

cocktail shakers; cocktail stirrers; cocktail strainers; beverage glassware and shot glasses; pitchers

Basis: 1(b)

First Use Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

First Use in Commerce Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

International Class: 032 Class Status: Active

prepared non-alcoholic cocktails; non-alcoholic cocktail mixes

Basis: 1(b)

First Use Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

First Use in Commerce Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

International Class: 033 Class Status: Active alcoholic cocktail mixes

Basis: 1(b)

First Use Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

First Use in Commerce Date: (DATE NOT AVAILABLE)

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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2010-12-18 - Notice Of Approval Of Extension Request E-Mailed

2010-12-17 - Extension 2 granted

2010-12-15 - Extension 2 filed

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- 2010-12-15 TEAS Extension Received
- 2010-05-12 Notice Of Approval Of Extension Request E-Mailed
- 2010-05-11 Extension 1 granted
- 2010-04-30 Extension 1 filed
- 2010-05-11 Divisional processing completed
- 2010-04-30 Divisional request received
- 2010-04-30 TEAS Request To Divide Received
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